

exhibition

Wood Museum

Second solo sculpture exhibition by Lablu Patowary



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By Nafid Imran Ahmed

IN the old days, people used wood for making household items; used it as fuel. The utility of this item in this sense is almost lost today. In the mediaeval period, the scarcity of stone in our country promoted wood works and now we can find the skilful works done for the Kings of that period.

In our country, pottery gained popularity because of its availability. The aesthetic side of sculpture has introduced different uses of wood and now we see the artwork created by wood with stones and metals.

Most of the sculptors of this generation are educated from

art institutes or schools. They have learnt the craft being in a certain discipline for quite some time. But there are also a few individuals who have been practising the craft without having any formal education. One of them is Lablu Patowary. This promising young man, having no educational experience has devoted himself in the field of sculpture and has created some unique structures with wood, his favourite working medium.

Three years ago while he was trying to create an easy chair and a chandelier from a tree trunk for decorating his own home, he found himself attracted to the discipline. Since then he started creating many

wooden sculptures one by one. After three years, in early this year, he held his first solo sculpture exhibition at Charupith in Jessore. Its success encouraged him more.

Within three months time he has organised his second solo exhibition, titled 'Sculpture Exhibition 2000' at the gallery of Alliance Française de Dhaka, which started on July 7. Professor Hamiduzzaman Khan, head of the department, Department of Sculpture, Institute of Fine Arts, inaugurated the exhibition as chief guest.

During the inaugural ceremony Professor Hamiduzzaman Khan said that Lablu is in the mission of expressing his artistic thoughts and ideas through his

works. "He has already finished one successful exhibition. He creates his artworks by curving wood. The purity of his works has astounded me".

In this exhibition Lablu has displayed almost all of his artworks. The variety of works that are on display at the gallery of Alliance Française de Dhaka shows his wide range of interest. His works are simple but meaningful. Beside some traditional art pieces he has also put up some outstanding household items, which are also very attractive.

Most of the works are in abstract form; there are also some figurative pieces. The titles of his works say a lot about them. Sculptures titled, *One Eyed*

music

Flight to a Far-away World

Bidyut Khan's Sharod recital at Bengal Shilpalaya

By Navine Murshid

DESPITE a *Tanpura* that, at times, seemed out of tune, Bidyut Khan's *Sharod* recital at Bengal Shilpalaya on July 9 was an occasion for the audience to transcend into a world of tranquillity and bliss.

The evening started with a slow *alaap*. Then steadily the momentum increased, as the strokes on the *sharod* became more frequent and forceful.

For an ordinary listener, it was a journey of ups and downs; of twists and turns or simply moving with the tune and allowing the heart to become one with the melody.

Grandson of late Ustad Alauddin Khan and son of Osman Bahadur Khan, this was Bidyut Khan's first visit to Bangladesh, that too because of Dalia Apa (Dalia Nousehen).

It was interesting to note his facial expression while he played on. His emotions were out in the open for all to see. At times he smiled; at times he frowned; at times he seemed calm while at times he seemed enraged. He kept his eyes closed, deep into the music he was creating. At times, he would sway with the rhythm, apparently in a trance.

With him, the audience too went into a trance. The audience kept the *taal* (beat) with a distant look in their faced. Exclamations of appreciation could be heard from different corners of the room. Their eyes gleamed as they sat transfixed to the stage. However, everyone

wasn't enjoying the performance. A little boy, seated at the front busied himself making paper planes and playing with them.

An interesting phase of the evening was when *Tabalchi Arup Dey* and Bidyut Khan seemed to be in a frantic frenzy to out-do each other with their respective talents. The *tabla* and the *sharod* seemed to have life. On one side, the *tabla* raged on, only to be supplanted by an equally passionate rage. At one point, the two instruments seemed to go in two directions, but they finally met in a *shom*. A pregnant pause. And the *jugal bandi* started again.

Well-appreciated was a Bhatiyali piece in which Bidyut Khan inserted many other *ragas* to create a variation in the tune and mood. There was a sweet-sadness in the piece that made everyone quite nostalgic. The typical Bhatiyali tunes reminded one of village scenarios - perhaps a village belle or a bride-and-groom going home on a boat. There was a sort of optimism in the tune that seemed forced. As if someone is trying to look at the bright side, despite all the pain and squalor that village life could bring. Then the tune changes into one which resembles lost hope - as though the last ray of hope had died down. The mixed *thumri* tune changes back into Bhatiyali, which brings to mind imageries of good life in the villages. The opposing feelings of hope and disdain keep switching to and fro - as though a battle of feelings is going on.

The piece ends on a rhythmic note; a cheerful note, perhaps, signifying hope that manages to live amidst all harshness.

Requested by singer Subir Nandi to play something he enjoys, Bidyut Khan began *Bagesri*. Although it started as a slow beat, it gained momentum slowly but steadily and reached a steady peak where the *sharod* and *tabla* went into a high pitch. It slowed suddenly only to regain its lost pace. The surrounding was tense as the melody got heated. All of a sudden, there was no music. The string had got loose. *Tabalchi Arup Dey* did his level best to make up for the lost moment with his antics on the *tabla*.

When Bidyut Khan began again, he was awesome. The music came alive, as the two sounds raged together in an excited collision. The piece ended with a sweet-sounding *tehai* that left the audience enthralled.

The two professors of Rabindra Bharati created an evening that took the audience into another world, 'far from the madding crowd'.

However, there were drawbacks too. The *sharod* string kept getting loose every now and then. This allowed people to chat and exchange greetings and information. After the string was put into place again, it took a while for the audience to get back into the previous mood to enjoy the performance. Fortunately, this was the only setback of the performance, and the audience enjoyed the evening thoroughly.

RECOMMENDATIONS



Artwork of Porcelain and Glass

Gallery 21 presents a solo exhibition of "Artwork of Porcelain and Glass" by Kazi Rakib on July 14. Friday at 5:30 p.m. at 765 Satmashjid Road, Dhanmondi, Dhaka. Artist Aminul Islam will inaugurate the exhibition, while artist Mahmudul Haq will be present as special guest.



Solo Sculptor at the L'Alliance

The second solo sculpture exhibition of Lablu Patowary started on Friday at the Alliance Française de Dhaka. The exhibition will remain open till July 20, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. everyday except Saturdays.

Film Week at the Indian High Commission

Chalachitra Film Society and Indian High Commission's Cultural Wing in Dhaka are hosting seven-day-long Film Week titled *Amader Chalachitra Gourabmoiti* from July 6. Today, July 12, is the last day of the film festival.

Old-timers' Works

Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts organised an exhibition of artwork of the artists who have passed away, leaving numerous connoisseurs to admire their works. The exhibition will begin today and remain open until July 16.

Magazine Show - Uthshav

After a long eight-month break this July-September session Bangladesh Television will resume telecasting *Uthshav*, the popular magazine show. A magazine show for all category of people. There will be the usual events, such as the Rawshan Jamil's Quiz, the game play with old songs. Besides these there will also be some additional items.

The programme is planned and hosted by Mosharraf Hossain.



British Film Week 2000

The British Council with co-sponsorship from Lever Brothers Bangladesh Ltd. will host a film event titled 'British Film Week 2000' from 23 - 27 July at the British Council Auditorium. The titles of the films include *With or Without You*, *Notting Hill*, *Gregory's 2 Girls*, *East is East and Beautiful People*.

Juvenile Theatre at Goethe

A juvenile theatre play on GRIPS method will be performed by *Natyachakra* at the Goethe Institut auditorium, Dhaka, on July 15, 16 and 31 at 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

TV Guide

Wednesday 12th July

(All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the programme)

BTV

3:00 Opening Announcement, Recitation From The Holy Quran And Programme Outline 3:15 Patriotic Song 3:20 Open University Prog. 4:00 Bangla News 4:05 Sashtho Thattho (Health Developing For Mother & Children) 4:20 Cartoon: The New Adventure of Captain Planet 4:40 Wild Life 5:20 Lekha-O-Aakha (Programme on Children) 5:45 Pusti Tatho 6:00 Bangla News 6:05 Kendro Bindoo (Programme on Developing) 6:30 Transmission From Chittagong Center 7:00 News For Weather 7:05 Geetbitan (Rabindra Song) 7:25 Chandey-Anandey (Ordinary Dance) 8:00 Bangla News At 8:20 Serial: *Biponna Basona* #5 ('Tony Days, Bijori Borkotullah, Shams Suman, Tonima Ahamed, Jamaluddin Hosan, Roushan Ara Hosan) 9:00 Series: *The New Adventure of Robinhood* (Bangla Dub) 9:30 Chhando Chhabi (Songs) 10:00 News At Ten (English) 10:20 Sonali Darja (Programme on News) 10:50 Aabahoman Bangla (Cultural History) 11:30 Bangla News 11:35 English News 11:40 A) Programme Outline For Thursday B) National Song 11:45 Closing

ATN

5:30 Islamic Program 6:32 Film Songs 7:50 Musical Prog. 8:25 Drama serial 9:35 Musical Prog. 10:10 Drama Serial 10:45 Bangladesh Film Chokori 6:32 Health prog. 7:10 Drama serial 7:50 Drama serial 8:25 Musical prog. 9:00 Drama serial 9:35 Magazine prog. 10:10 Drama serial 10:45 Bangla Film : Shantona

DD 7 (BANGLA)

8:40 Khas Khabar 9:05 Amrino Katha 9:20 Sangbad 9:30 Khela Aar Khela 10:30 Janmadin (Birthday Greet-Ins) 10:35 Daily Soap: Shree Ram Krishna 11:00 Daily Soap: Hay Mohajeebon 11:15 Classical/Folk Songs- 11:30 Parliament Hour / Musical 12:00 Bengali Movie: 2:30



'Prabashi Parjan' on Ekushey Television at 8:00 p.m.

EKUSHEY

2:00pm Ekushey News Headlines 2:05 Classic Cartoons 2:20 Jana Ajana 2:50 Chena Mukh Chena Shoor Hosted by Tazin Ahmed 3:15 Bangla Cinema : 6:00 Ekushey News Headlines 6:05 Drishti Public View 7:00 Circus! Circus! 7:20 Bolte Chai Hosted by : Abdullah Jafar 7:45 Ekushey News 8:00 Drama Serial : Probashi Parjan (Rowshon J., Jamaluddin H., Sharmila A., Sweety, Tarin, Pijush B., Afroza B.) 8:30 Babu Kotha 9:00 Natak : Koitobo (Golam M., Ali Z., Khaled K., Shirin K.) 10:00 BTV News 10:30 Chitrageti 10:30 Comed Series : Mr. Bean

ALPHA

6:30 Alaap 7:00 Monihaar 8:00 Serial: Din Protidin 9:00 Serial: Plabon 9:30 Beauty Parlour 10:00 Serial: Gugli 10:30 Serial: Kano Ek Din 11:00 Jeevanrekha 11:30 Serial: Ek Akasher Niche 12:00 Serial: Bhowani Purer Chattutuja 12:30 Serial: Jhara Samayer Upakatha 1:00 Serial: Kono Ek Din 1:30 Bahari Aahr 2:00 Serial: Samayr Sur #16 2:30 Bangla Movie- 5:00 Ek Akasher Niche 5:30 Asian Sky Shop 6:30 Serial: Din Protidin 7:30 News In Bangali 8:00 Mittir Bari #20 8:30 Serial: Ek Akasher Niche 9:00 Serial: Sapanil 9:30 Serial: Abishasaya #18 10:00 News In Bangali 10:30 Din Protidin 11:30 Serial: Jhara Samayer Upakatha 12:00 Serial: Jeevan Rekha 12:30 Bharol Bhromon 1:00 Grihoshaji 1:30 Bangla Movie-

DD-1 (National)

5:55 Vande Mataram & Thought Of The Day 6:15 CIET Programme 7:00 Ugc Programme 7:30 Samachar 7:45 Suba Sabera 8:30 The News 8:45 Suba Sabera 9:32 Series: Earth Matters 10:00 UPG Programmes 10:32 Tarang- CIET Programme 11:00 ETV Programme 11:32 Serial: Ardhangani 12:00 Serial: Kamyabi 12:32 Serial: Inteezer Aur Sahi 12:55 Serial: Kiran 1:00 Serial: Tulsi 1:32 Serial: Agni 2:00 Serial: Deewar 2:30 News In Hindi 2:40 News In English 2:50 Series: 3:00 Jagte Raho (Series On Kashmir) 3:32 Serial: Aprajita 4:00 Serial:

Khas Khabar 3:30 Daily Soap: Mohini 3:55 Daily Soap: Bhul Thikanay 4:20 Shudhu Gaanor Din 4:45 Nepali Program 5:05 Ghare Baire/ Sahitaya 5:30 News 5:40 Jibeeka Samachar 5:50 Palli Katha: 6:10 Astaraag (Serial) 6:40 Khas Khabar 6:50 Daily Soap: Janmahumi 7:30 Bangla Sambad 8:00 Prasangik / Darshaker Darbare 8:30 Modern Songs 9:00 Daily Soap: Janmahumi 9:30 Daily Soap: Shree Ram Krishna 10:00 Khas Khabar 10:20 Mokho Mukhi 10:50 Sambad 11:00 Bengali Movie:

Mitti Ke Rang 4:32 Serial: Aur Kisan Jaag Utha 5:00 The Health Show 5:32 Series: 7:00 Live Show 7:30 Samachar 7:45 Swasthya Paridhi 8:00 Chitrahari 9:00 Samachar 9:15 The News 9:32 Serial: Abhimaan 10:00 Truck Dhina Dhina 10:30 News Headline Hindi 11:00 Kaun 12:00 Tribal Heritage of India 12:02 Series: Ardhangini

DISCOVERY CHANNEL

6:30 Go For It! 7:30 Ushaia 8:30 Lonely Planet- 9:30 Animal in Danger 10:30 Danger Zone 11:00 Outer Bounds- 11:30 Shark Files 12:30 Wild Discovery 1:30 Medical Detectives 2:30 Discover Magazine 3:30 Go For It! 4:30 Ushuaia 5:30 Lonely Planet 6:30 Pop Sci 7:00 Popular Planet IV 7:30 Wild Discovery 8:30 Blue Reef Adventures 9:30 Battle Science 10:30 Lands of Legends 11:00 Sea Legends 11:30 Discovery Profile Series 12:30 Wild Discovery 1:30 Blue Reef Adventures 2:00 Aspects of Life 2:00 Battle Science 3:30 Lands of Legends 4:00 Sea Legends 4:30 Wild Discovery 5:30 Discover Magazine

STAR SPORTS

7:00 Cardio Knockout 7:30 Gillette World Sport Special 8:00 Ecb International Cricket Natwest Series Canterbury, ENGLAND- West Indies Vs Zimbabwe 4th Odi, Highlights 9:00 Psa Super Series Psa Championship 2000 Hurghada, EGYPT Highlights #1 10:00 College Track & Field Ncaa Division I Outdoor Track & Field Championship Durham, NC USA 11:30 Pga Tour Golf Advil Western Open Lemont, IL USA Day Two 1:00 Table Tennis Ittf Pro Tour 2000 - Japan Open Kobe, JAPAN Semifinals #2 3:00 National Sports Report 4:00 Usa Vs Europe Tenpin Bowling Championships 1999 Warsaw, POLAND 5:00 Ecb International Cricket Natwest Series Canterbury, ENGLAND- West Indies Vs Zimbabwe 4th Odi, Highlights 6:00 Sbk Super-

ESPN

6:00 Live- Mb All Star Game 9:00 Ecb International Cricket Natwest Series Canterbury, ENGLAND- West Indies Vs Zimbabwe 4th Odi, Highlights 10:00 X-Games Trials 2000 X Trials Stop 2 Boards Knoxville, TN USA 11:00 Inside Cricket: 2nd Session 11:30 Tour De France 2000 Stage #9 12:00 Live- Sportscenter Bristol, CT USA 1:00 Lpga Golf Shoprite Lpga Classic Atlantic City, NJ U.S.A. First Round 3:00 Premier Snooker League 2000 5:00 Asa World Tour 2000 Asa Inline Pro Tour: Stop 1 Street Rome, ITALY 5:30 Motorsport Asia 6:00 Bowling 2000 World Tenpin Masters Milton Keynes, ENGLAND 7:00 X-Games Trials 2000 X Trials Stop 2 Bikes Nashville, TN USA 8:00 NBA Season In Review 9:00 Inside Cricket: 2nd Session 9:30 Boxing Series Espn2 Friday Night Fights 11:00 Premier Snooker League 2000 1:00 Iska Karate 2000

SET MAX

7:30 Hotlist 8:00 Rang Birangee 8:30 Music Mania 8:45 Pop Puri 9:00 Harmony 9:30 Uncensored 10:00 Live-Cricket- Hnb Oneday Series- Pakistan Vs Sri Lanka 6:00 Mini Movies: 8:00 Football 8:30 Bajaj Lehren Features 8:45 Music Mania 9:15 Pop Puri 9:30 Film Show: Hatyara 1:00 Film Show: Sadhana 4:00 Bajaj Lehren Features 4:15 Pop Puri 4:30 Film Show: Maa

SONY ENT. TV

7:30 Aatma 8:00 Sant Asaram Wani 8:30 Chartbusters (Trailer Show) 9:00 Ek Mahal Ho Sapna Ka (Daily Sope) 9:30 Aurat 10:00 Music Mantra (Trailer Show) 10:30 Daily Soap- Itihaas 11:00 Daily Soap- Nazdeekiyan 11:30 Daily Soap- Char Ek Mandir 12:00 Chartbusters (Trailer Show) 12:30 Movers & Shekars 1:30 Music Mantra (Trailer Show) 8:00 Chartbusters (Trailer Show) 8:25 Family No. 1 #89 ('Kanjwaljeet, Tanvi Azmi, Kabir, Aporna) 8:55 Hum Sub Ek Hain #101 Ep- 9:35 Just Mohabbat #155 10:10 C.I.D. #122 Ep- 10:45 Movers & Shekars 11:30 Ek Mahal Ho Sapna Ka (Daily Sope) 12:15 Ramayan #66 1:00 Tuhi Pe Dil Querban #16 ('Parmeth Sheth, Grusha Kapoor, Ronit Roy) 1:30 Dil Vil Pyar Vyar #53 Ep- ('Rushali, Pooja Ghai, Sonali, Kareena, Vishal, Rakesh, Ali Asagar) 2:00 Movers & Shekars 3:00 Daily Soap- Nazdeekiyan 3:30 Cine Night Show-Hindi Feature Film: Toofan Mein Pyar Kahani

ZEE TV

6:15 Yeeden Ki Pal (B/W Songs) 6:45 Old Is Gold 7:00 Bhatti Songs 7:30 Jagran 8:00 Guldasta 8:30 Breakfast Zee (News, Views & Chat) 9:30 Disney Hour Cartoons 10:30 Ek Nazar 11:00 Kasak #19 ('Sharmila Tagore, Surash Oberoi, Nasir) 11:30 Amanat #151 (Serial 'Pooja Madan, Sudhir Panday, Smita) 12:10 Naye Nazrane (Trailer Show) 12:40 Zaika Ka Safar 1:10 Dear Women 1:40 Ilaak 1:45 Daily Soap- Hum Panch (Amita, Rakhi Vijan)(Re-Run) 2:25 Kashti #19 3:00 Daily Soap- Kartavya 3:30 Cinema Hits- Hf Film: 6:20 Ek Nazar (Trailer) 6:50 Disney Hour Cartoons 7:50 Colgate Gel-Footloose ('Host- Sajid Khan) 8:15 Hum Hai Anadi #10 8:45 Mehendi Tere Naam Ki #21 ('Sangita

DD METRO

7:00 Anhad/ Bhakti Sagar 7:15 Bhakti Sagar 7:45 Subah Aaj Tak 8:30 India Online 9:00 The First Edition 9:30 Anjam 10:00 Serial: Raja Aur Rancho 10:30 Ret Par Likhe Naam 11:00 Daily Sope- Naya 11:30 Bhabhi Maa 12:00 Tele Shopping 12:30 Kaban Gaye Woh Log 1:00 Series: Bajaj Payal 1:30 TV Brand 2:00 Wadi Ki Aawaz 2:30 Daily Sope- Bandhan 2:55 The News In Urdu. 3:05 United Tele Shopping 3:30 Hindi Cinema Show- 6:00 Made Line 6:30 Gummy Bears 7:00 Fun Time 7:30 Wah Kya Baat Hai 7:55 Navarang 8:00 Bikhre Panna 8:30 Naya 9:00 Music Station 9:32 Tele Film: 10:30 Aaj Taak (News) 10:50 Single Metro- Super Talent 11:00 Drihsant 11:30 Medivision 12:00 Series- Derrick 01:00 Hindi Films-

BBC WORLD

6:00 BBC World News 6:30 World Living : Life- 7:00 BBC News/ Asia Today Inc. World-Business-Report 8:00 BBC News/Asia Today Inc. World-Business-Report 9:00 BBC News- Asia Today Inc. World-Business-Report 10:00 BBC World News 10:30 World Living : Talking Movies (Presenter- Tom Brook) 11:30 Reporters 12:00 BBC World News 12:30 The Real India Travel Show 1:00 BBC World News 1:30 World Living : The Boat Show 2:00 World News 2:30 World Focus: Reporters 3:00 BBC World News 3:30

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